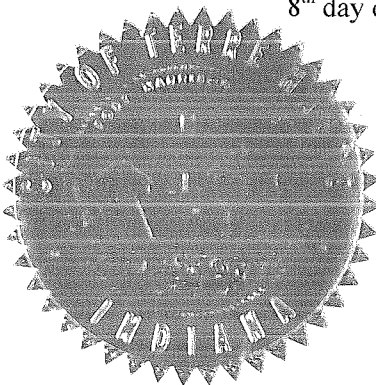


PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: the mission of ImprovingBirth.org is to bring evidence-based care and humanity to childbirth ensuring that mothers have not just the right, but the means to make educated decisions about their own safety and that of their babies; and
- WHEREAS: there is a massive gap in the U.S. between routine, traditional practice and what current science shows is best for mothers and babies with evidence showing that nine to ten American women receive care that increases, rather than decreases, risks of harm to her and her baby; and
- WHEREAS: evidence –based maternity care is based on the highest quality, most current medical evidence, most beneficial to mothers and babies (reducing incidences of injuries, complications, and death), with care tailored to the individual; and
- WHEREAS: women can make safer, more informed decisions about their care and that of their babies when they are given full and accurate information about their care options, including the potential harms, benefits, and alternatives; and
- WHEREAS: thousands of men, women and children, in over 160 cities in all 50 states will gather peacefully to hold signs and distribute information about evidence-based birth practices and the need for humanity in our care on September 8, 2014 as part of an International “Rally to Improve Birth”.

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Duke A Bennett, Mayor of the City of Terre Haute, do hereby adopt this resolution recognizing ImprovingBirth.org and the Labor Day Rally to Improve Birth International movement to bring evidence-based care and promote respect for women and their decisions in childbirth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused
the Great Seal of the City of Terre Haute to be affixed this
8th day of September, 2014.




Duke A Bennett, Mayor

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